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SUBJECT: CABLE PICK UP BY ICELANDIC RESEARCH VESSEL

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION CINCLANT INFO REYKJAVIK CINCLANTFLT
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CABLE PICK UP BY ICELANDIC RESEARCH VESSEL (U)

1. (C) YESTERDAY PM ICELANDIC COAST GUARD DIRECTOR, MR. PETUR
SIGURDSSON INFORMED ORIGINATOR THAT ON THURSDAY 24 JULY OFF THE
SOUTH COAST OF ICELAND AN ICELANDIC RESEARCH VESSEL WAS ATTEMPTING
TO RECOVER A LOST TRAWL FROM AN ICELANDIC FISHING BOAT. THE
RESEARCH VESSEL WAS TOWING A GRAPPLE ATTEMPTING TO SNAG THE TRAWL
AND INSTEAD SNAGGED AN UNCHARTED CABLE AND PULLED IT TO THE SURFACE.
THE COAST GUARD WAS INFORMED BY RADIO AND INSTRUCTIONS WERE REQUESTED
BY THE RESEARCH VESSEL. ICG REPLY WAS QUOTE PUT IT BACK IN THE
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OCEAN AND FOR HEAVEN SAKE DON'T CUT IT: UNQUOTE. THIS WAS APPARENTLY

DONE. ICG DIRECTOR INDICATED HE WOULD ATTEMPT TO KEEP INCIDENT QUIET
AND THE ONLY REPORT WOULD BE A PERSONAL LETTER TO ORIGINATOR.
AMPLIFYING DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED.

2. (C) RELATED SUBJ: ISG DIRECTOR SIGURDSSON HAS AGREED TO PREPARE
A CHART FOR ORIGINATOR SHOWING TRADITIONAL ICELANDIC FISHING
GROUNDS AND AREAS OF HIGH CABLE VULNERABILITY FROM TRAWLERS. A COPY
WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED.

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